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For: CONTROL METHOD FOR NETWORK

Examiner: A. M. Mirza

SYSTEM

APPLICANTS' COMMENTS ON THE EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

MS Issue Fee Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants agree in part with the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance, contained in the August 21, 2009 Notice of Allowance in that the prior art of record fails to anticipate or render obvious the claimed invention. However, Applicants note that the Examiner's statement fails to address all limitations of all of the allowed claims.

Moreover, the statement appears to contain an error in that while stating that the claims are allowed, the statement incorrectly summarizes that "the Examiner submits that Nakazawa and Sasaki taught all the limitations of independent claims in combination with other elements." Notice of Allowability, p. 9. The statement then goes on to correctly indicate that the "prior art does not teach 'a step of generating a photographing data including information of said image after photographing, which is executed by said control means of said information processing device; and a step of transmitting said photographing data to the other information processing devices, which is

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executed by said control means of said information processing device, wherein: . . . ' Thus, Applicants maintain that the claims are allowable over the cited prior art.

Furthermore, Applicants respectfully submit that the scope of the claimed invention should not be limited by the Examiner's statement, but rather the scope of the claimed invention should be based on the actual language of the allowed claims.

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